

Program Description/Textbook or Print Instructional Material

Vendor	Pearson Education, Inc., PA Pearson Prentice Hall
Web URL	www.phschool.com
Title	Realidades A
Author	Boyles et al.
Copyright Date	2004
ISBN	0130359661
Edition	1st Edition
Course/Content Area	Middle School Exploratory Spanish
Intended Grade or Level	6-8
Readability Level	None Available
List Price	\$55.29
Lowest Wholesale Price	\$41.47

Level of Accommodations Level Three

If Level Two or Level Three, please provide rationale for not meeting Level One Compliance

Rationale Pearson Prentice Hall is unable to provide files in Levels One due to the variety of page layout systems used to create the text. These systems are not compatible with specialized formats such as XML or HTML.

FEATURES**Disclaimer**

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Content

REALIDADES A is a beginning-level Spanish textbook designed to build language proficiency in all students. The program focuses on developing the five "C"s: Communication, Culture, Connections, Comparisons, and Communities. Content and activities are presented in contexts that are authentic both to the culture and to students' daily lives. The textbook addresses the wide range of learning in today's Spanish classroom by providing support for diverse learning styles and by combining print and technology components.

Student Experiences

REALIDADES is a flexible program that allows teachers to customize the learning experience depending on student needs. Content is presented and practiced in a wide range of modalities: visual, auditory, and kinesthetic. In addition, REALIDADES offers accommodated instruction for students with special needs, for heritage learners, and for advanced learners. Through the different components (print and technology) and teaching suggestions, teachers are given support for making instruction accessible to enable all students to experience success.

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Assessment

REALIDADES offers a wealth on assessment options. The Assessment Program includes quizzes for each chapter's vocabulary and grammar sections. It also provides an end-of-chapter test that assesses what student know and what they can do by offers prochievement questions as well as proficiency tasks (listening, speaking, reading, writing, and culture). REALIDADES also offers a Computer Test Bank that provides a wide range of questions (multiple choice, true/false, matching, short answer, essay) that assess chapter objectives. For teachers looking for alternate assessment such as performance-based tasks, each chapter provides either a speaking task (Presentación oral) or a writing task (Presentación escrita) with accompanying rubrics in the Teacher's Edition and the Assessment Program. Additional alternate assessment is found in the Teacher's Resource Book in the Communicative Activities and the Situation Cards.

Organization

REALIDADES A is organized around student-centered themes. The book begins with an introductory section called *Para empezar* which is followed by four themes: *Mis amigos y yo*, *La escuela*, *La comida*, and *Los pasatiempos*. Each theme contains two parts (A and B). Each part organizes instruction around a logical sequence: input (*A primera vista*), practice (*Manos a obra*), application (*¡Adelante!*), and review (*Repaso del capítulo*).

Resource Materials:

Gratis Items to be provided and under what conditions -

Free upon request with a minimum purchase of 25 Realidades A Student Editions:

1 per teacher user: Teacher's Edition; Teacher's Resource Package; Vocabulary & Grammar Transparencies; Practice Answers on Transparencies; Teacher Express CD-ROM; Audio Program on CD; ExamView Computer Test Bank CD-ROM; Mindpoint Quiz Show CD-ROM; Fine Art Transparencies; Grammar Study Guides (packet of 35); Practice Workbook with Writing, Audio & Video Activities; Realidades para hispanohablantes Workbook; Guided Practice Activities for Vocabulary & Grammar; and Prentice Hall SuccessNet Teacher Online Access Pack.

Choice of One, 1 per teacher user: Video Program (VHS) **OR** Video Program (DVD)

Choice of One, 1 per student edition, life of the adoption: Practice Workbook with Writing, Audio & Video Activities **OR** Realidades para hispanohablantes A/B/1 **OR** Guided Practice Activities for Vocabulary & Grammar

1 per student edition: 6-Year Interactive Textbook Online Access With Textbook Purchase

1 per each 4 student editions purchased, 1st year of purchase only: Interactive

Available Ancillary Materials

Research Data and Evidence of Effectiveness

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Note: Please complete this section by indicating the research data and evidence of effectiveness, or give a web site where the information is located. If there is no research data and evidence of effectiveness, please indicate "not available".

Research Available

No

If yes, provide information below.

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Publisher	Pearson Education/Prentice Hall		
Item Evaluated	Text & Ancillary		
Content Level	Middle School Spanish 6-8	Copyright Date	2004
ISBN	01303596610130359661	Date of Evaluation	07/21/2004

Recommended YES

Publisher's Explanation of Reviewer's Comments:

Technology Strengths

Technology enhances the overall program and aids students in language acquisition.

Instruction & Assessment Strengths

Text and materials exceedingly address all the key language areas. Moreover, material is presented contextually and promotes student-centered acquisition of language through interactive communication. Program provides a variety of assessment tools that

Organization & Structure Strengths

Each chapter includes two contextualized sections with clear objectives that builds progressively and integrates the key language areas.

Resource Materials Strengths

Numerous well-developed and interactive ancillary materials including audio CDs, video, TPR , performance-based assessments and communicative activities.

Technology Comments

Equipment

Windows	Yes	Macintosh	Yes	CD ROM	Yes	Sound	Yes
Equipment Other							

Rating Scale: 0-Not applicable; 1-None of the time; 2 Minimally; 3-Some of the time; 4-Most of the time

Technology Weaknesses

Instruction & Assessment Weaknesses

Grammar instruction is exclusively explicit and sometimes not contextualized.

Organization & Structure Weaknesses

Resource Materials Weaknesses

Grade Level

Primary No Intermediate No Middle Yes High No

Audience

Individual	Yes	Small Group	Yes	Large Group	Yes
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Format

Stand Alone/Independent	No	Integrated	Yes	Supplemental	Yes
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Cost

Single Copy	Gratis with purchase of 25 student additions	School Version	
Network Version		Online	
Site License		Lab Pack	

Type of Software

Simulation	No	Tutorial	No	Critical Thinking	No
Management	Yes	Exploratory	No	Utility	Yes
Interdisciplinary	No	Creativity	No	Type of Software - Other	
Problem Solving	No	Drill and Practice	Yes		

Management

4	Allows customizing for individual learning needs
3	Allows Students to exit and resume later
4	Keeps student's performance record, where needed
4	Allows control of various aspects of software (sound)
4	Allows printed reports

Presentation/Interface

4	Presents material in organized manner
4	Consistent, easy-to-use, on-screen instructions
4	Developmentally correct presentation/ format
4	Adapts to different learning styles/multiple intelligences
	Accessible for special needs students
4	Runs smoothly, without long delays
4	Easy-to-view text and graphics
4	Easy-to-hear and understand sounds
4	Avoids unnecessary screens, sounds, and graphics

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4	Provides immediate, appropriate feedback
4	Presentation/Interface Comments

<i>Rating</i>	<i>Strength</i>	<i>Weakness</i>
Identifies a Sense of Purpose		
4	Each chapter presents clear and contextualized objectives with related functions.	
Provides Guiding Questions and Instructional Objectives		
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Develops and Builds on Student Ideas		
4	Students are encouraged to utilize critical thinking skills to communicate in the target language through proficiency-oriented tasks.	Grammar instruction is explicit.
Encourages student to become an independent learner (performer, creator, speaker)		
4	Student-centered activities afford individual learners the opportunity to develop language skills.	
Assesses Student Progress – Commonwealth Accountability Testing System (CATS) “like” Assessment is provided. Variety of Assessments (diagnostic, formative, Summative, open response, multiple choice, individual, small group, oral demonstrations, presentations, portfolio prompts) is included, Performance assessment opportunities are also included.		
4	A variety of assessments are present that address all language skill areas in contextualized settings..	
Enhances the Learning Environment		
4	The highly-developed contextualized activities that address multiple intelligences and learning styles promote positive learning outcomes.	
Reading level appropriate for interest and ability level of intended student group; level remains consistent throughout		
4		
Includes activities and opportunities for integration of technology		
4	Numerous integrated & contextualized technology pieces.	

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<i>Rating</i>	<i>Strength</i>	<i>Weakness</i>
Reflects research-based practices (e.g. hands-on activities, technology, problem-solving situations) engaging students and promoting student thinking		
4	Proficiency tasks, communicative activities, TPR and contextualized games promote student engagement.	

Is aligned to the Program of Studies and Core Content for Assessment		
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Includes opportunities for writing (reviews / personal response / reflection)		
3	Portfolio suggestion and process pieces allow students to reflect on learning.	

<i>Rating</i>	<i>Strength</i>	<i>Weakness</i>
Language skills (listening, speaking, reading, writing) balanced and integrated within each lesson.		
4	Each chapter contains several integrated and contextualized activities that address all four language skill areas.	

Students are given opportunities to communicate in target language in contextual, meaningful, and authentic situations for interpersonal, interpretive, and presentational modes/purposes.		
4	The "Adelante" section affords students to address all three modes of communication in contextualized settings.	

Materials provide opportunities for students to express basic needs, basic courtesies, states of being, likes and dislikes, and agreements and disagreements. (WL – 1.1.B1)		
4		

Materials provide opportunities for students to respond to one-on-one interactions, simple questions and simple requests. (WL – 1.1.B2)		
4		

Materials provide opportunities for students to incorporate appropriate gestures in conversations.		
4		

Materials provide opportunities for students to create descriptions within contexts. (WL – 1.1.B6)		
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<i>Rating</i>	<i>Strength</i>	<i>Weakness</i>
4	Performance-based activities and open-ended and contextualized writing activities allow students to produce descriptions.	
Materials provide opportunities for students to exchange information with peers and others. (WL – 1.1.B7)		
4	Communicative activates provide students the opportunity to communicate in the target language in order to fill information gaps.	
Materials provide opportunities for students to use different ways to express the same idea WL – 1.1.03		
4	A variety of activities that address multiple intelligences allow students to manipulate material for language acquisition.	
Materials provide opportunities for students to understand and interpret written and spoken language on a variety of topics.		
4	Multiple integrated and contextualized activities	
Materials provide opportunities for students to respond appropriately to familiar directions, instructions and commands. (WL – 1.2.B1)		
4		
Materials provide opportunities for students to identify and use some aural, visual and contextual clues to derive meaning. (WL 1.2.B4)		
4	"A primera vista" video presents vocabulary in the target language in a contextualized setting and affords students the opportunity to derive meaning from all the presented clues.	
Materials provide opportunities for students to identify main ideas and key words in level appropriate speech and print material. (WL 1.2.B7)		
4		
Materials provide opportunities for students to present prepared material (e.g., poems, dialogues, songs) to audiences. (WL – 1.2.B3)		
4	Contextualized proficiency tasks allow students to present in the target language.	
Materials provide opportunities for students to summarize main ideas of selected authentic and/or contextualized materials (e.g., stories, TV commercials) (WL – 1.3.B7)		
4	Contextualized and authentic realia integrated in each chapter for students to manipulate	

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<i>Rating</i>	<i>Strength</i>	<i>Weakness</i>
Materials provide opportunities for students to narrate events using some temporal expressions (e.g., tell what they are going to do for their birthday).		
4		
Textbook/instructional material is organized according to the natural acquisition of language through function.		
3	3	3
Emphasis is placed on lifelong learning by suggesting uses of the target language for personal enjoyment and enrichment.		
4	Community section suggests ways students can seek target language & culture in home.	
Students are given opportunities to gain knowledge and understanding of other cultures, as well as their own.		
4		
Cultural information is authentic and current.		
4	Telenovela video includes authentic & current information like the use of the Euro and authentic Spanish pronunciation.	
Cultural information reflects the diversity within the cultures (e.g. race, economics, political, social).		
4		
Cultural information is presented in the target language whenever possible.		
4	"A primera vista" video and "Adelante" cultural lecturas are exclusively in the target language.	"Fondo cultural" sections are presented in English.
Material integrates Arts and Humanities when possible.		
4	Contextualized Visual Arts transparencies & guide lessons are excellent for incorporating A & H into content.	
Material provides opportunities for students to develop an understanding of the relationships between the products and perspectives of the culture by students opportunities to:		
Yes	<i>Identify common words, phrases and idioms</i>	Yes <i>Identify social, geographic, political factors that impact cultural practice</i>
Yes	<i>Identify commonly held generalizations about target culture</i>	Yes <i>Identify differences and similarities among same-language cultures</i>
Yes	<i>Identify products, expressive forms, contributions, objects, images, and symbols of target culture</i>	
4		

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<i>Rating</i>	<i>Strength</i>	<i>Weakness</i>
Cultural information reflects the influence of the target culture in the United States and around the world.		
4		
Content reinforces knowledge of other disciplines through the target language.		
4	4	4
Linguistic connections are made among languages.		
4		
Structural patterns are identified in both the target language and the student's own language.		
3		Grammar is presented in English.
Historical connections are made among languages.		
3		
Materials provide connections with target culture through technology media, and authentic resources.		
4	The video components & listening audio integrate culture throughout.	

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Description of Gratis Items**KY-2C****All blank entries due to lack of information provided by the publisher.**

Company	Pearson Education, Inc., PA Pearson Prentice Hall
Title of Textbook or Program Bid	Realidades A
Prepared By	Hope Heredia, State Adoption Administrator
Date	4-Jun-04
ISBN (Item 1)	0130359564
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Teacher's Edition, Level A
If packet, list the contents	
Description of Items including Packet Contents	Teacher's Edition
Current Catalogue Price	\$50.97
ISBN (Item 2)	0130361224
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Teacher's Resource Package
If packet, list the contents	Teacher's Resource Books and BLMs, Assessment BLMs, and TPR Storytelling

Description of Items including Packet Contents	<p>Teacher's Resource Books and BLMs includes: Theme Project and Rubric (BLM); School-to-Home Connection Letter (BLM); Chapter Resource Checklist; Input Script; Audio Script; Video Script; Communicative Activities (BLM); Situation Cards (BLM); GramActiva Templates (BLM); Vocabulary Clip Art (BLM); Practice Workbook Answer Key; Writing, Audio & Video Workbook Answer Key; Heritage Learner Workbook Answer Key.</p> <p>Assessment includes: Professional Development Articles; Placement Test; Chapter Quizzes; Chapter Tests; Cumulative Tests; Rubrics for all student edition performance-based tasks; Rubrics for all chapter test performance-based tasks; Portfolio Support; and Review & Remediation Support.</p> <p>TRP Storytelling: Complete support for integrating TPR Storytelling with <i>Realidades</i>.</p>
Current Catalogue Price	\$249.97
ISBN (Item 3)	0130360279
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Vocabulary & Grammar Transparencies
If packet, list the contents	
Description of Items including Packet Contents	<p>More than 170 colorful transparencies containing visuals for: Maps; Graphic Organizers; <i>Vocabulario y gramtica en contexto</i>: visualized context without labels; <i>Videohistoria</i>: Video panels and dialogue; <i>Gramatica</i>: charts and paradigms; Rapid Review; and Realia.</p>
Current Catalogue Price	\$196.97
ISBN (Item 4)	0130360236
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Practice Answers on Transparencies
If packet, list the contents	
Description of Items including Packet Contents	<p>Overhead transparencies that provide all the answers for student edition activities that require one correct answer. Also includes all the answers for Practice Workbook activities.</p>
Current Catalogue Price	\$106.97
ISBN (Item 5)	0130360317

Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Teacher Express CD-ROM
If packet, list the contents	
Description of Items including Packet Contents	A suite of instructional tools to help teachers plan, teach, and test. Powerful lesson planning, resource management, testing, and an interactive teacher's edition.
Current Catalogue Price	\$199.47
ISBN (Item 6)	0130359904
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Audio Program on CD
If packet, list the contents	22 Audio CDs
Description of Items including Packet Contents	The Audio Program on CD offers a wide range of listening practice. They include support for the Student Edition; Writing, Audio & Video Workbook; and Assessment Program.
Current Catalogue Price	\$299.97
ISBN (Item 7)	0130359823
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	ExamView Computer Test Bank CD-ROM
If packet, list the contents	CD-ROM and Test Booklet
Description of Items including Packet Contents	Computer Test Bank on CD-ROM with Test Booklet. Teachers can create tests using the questions in the test bank including multiple choice, fill-in-the-blank, true/false, and open-ended questions that correlate to each chapter's objectives. Teachers can add their own questions using the test bank templates.
Current Catalogue Price	\$116.97
ISBN (Item 8)	0130360481
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Mindpoint Quiz Show CD-ROM

If packet, list the contents

**Description of Items
including Packet Contents**

CD-ROM. Students complete against the computer, each other, or the entire class in a fun, end-of-chapter review game. Separate question bank per chapter. Great at-home study tool.

Current Catalogue Price

\$49.97

ISBN (Item 9)

0130360414

Copyright Date

2004

Title of Item

Fine Art Transparencies

If packet, list the contents

**Description of Items
including Packet Contents**

Transparencies. Beautiful color transparencies of works of art from all levels of *Realidades*. Over 60 transparencies with accompanying activities.

Current Catalogue Price

\$164.97

ISBN (Item 10)

0673584313

Copyright Date

2000

Title of Item

Grammar Study Guides

If packet, list the contents

Packet of 35 Grammar Study Guides

**Description of Items
including Packet Contents**

Durable, 3-hole-punched grammar study guide for students. Packet of 35.

Current Catalogue Price

\$69.97

ISBN (Item 11)

0131164619

Copyright Date

2005

Title of Item

Practice Workbook with Writing, Audio & Video Activities A

If packet, list the contents

**Description of Items
including Packet Contents**

Provides practice with vocabulary, grammar, and writing plus student response pages for audio and video programs.

Current Catalogue Price

\$11.47

ISBN (Item 12)

0130360112

Copyright Date	2005
Title of Item	REALIDADES para hispanohablantes A/B/1
If packet, list the contents	
Description of Items including Packet Contents	Provides additional language development for students who have home experience with Spanish. Written entirely in Spanish.
Current Catalogue Price	\$10.47
ISBN (Item 13)	0131164724
Copyright Date	2005
Title of Item	Guided Practice Activities for Vocabulary and Grammar A
If packet, list the contents	
Description of Items including Packet Contents	Provides accommodated learning support for vocabulary and grammar for students with special needs or who need extra time in learning Spanish.
Current Catalogue Price	\$9.47
ISBN (Item 14)	013116418X
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Prentice Hall Success Net Teacher Online Access Pack
If packet, list the contents	Interactive Text CD-ROM and Access Information for the Teacher.
Description of Items including Packet Contents	Interactive Text CD-ROM and Access Information/Code for the Teacher.
Current Catalogue Price	\$299.97
ISBN (Item 15)	0131163310
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	6-Year Interactive Textbook Online Access With Textbook Purchase
If packet, list the contents	

Description of Items including Packet Contents	Interactive Textbook Online Access
Current Catalogue Price	\$6.00
ISBN (Item 16)	0131163205
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Interactive Textbook CD-ROM
If packet, list the contents	
Description of Items including Packet Contents	Interactive Textbook CD-ROM
Current Catalogue Price	\$6.00
ISBN (Item 17)	0130359742
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Video Program (VHS)
If packet, list the contents	Package of 7 VHS videocassettes
Description of Items including Packet Contents	VHS: Video makes Spanish real by bringing the language and culture alive for students. Includes a 10-minute video segment called "Why Study Spanish?" The "A primera vista" language input video segment brings the language, characters, and culture of the student edition <i>Videohistoria</i> to life. Each vignette is approximately 5 minutes and is presented twice: once with key vocabulary words labeled on the screen, and once without the words. The GramActiva video segments help students "see" how grammar works through humor and graphics.
Current Catalogue Price	\$374.97
ISBN (Item 18)	0130360376
Copyright Date	2004
Title of Item	Video Program (DVD)
If packet, list the contents	Package of 4 DVDs

**Description of Items
including Packet Contents**

DVD: Video makes Spanish real by bringing the language and culture alive for students. Includes a 10-minute video segment called "Why Study Spanish?" The "A primera vista" language input video segment brings the language, characters, and culture of the student edition *Videohistoria* to life. Each vignette is approximately 5 minutes and is presented twice: once with key vocabulary words labeled on the screen, and once without the words. The GramActiva video segments help students "see" how grammar works through humor and graphics.

Current Catalogue Price

\$374.97